

Malcolm D. Woolf
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Malcolm Woolf was appointed in June 2007 by Governor Martin O'Malley to lead the Maryland Energy Administration in promoting affordable, reliable and clean energy. In this role, he helped enact and implement the most ambitious set of energy goals in the nation, including the EmPOWER Maryland Act seeking a 15% reduction in peak demand and overall electricity consumption, a 20% renewable standard, and a 25% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions. To achieve these goals, MEA has launched numerous innovative new programs to promote greater use of clean energy technologies. Several of these programs have received national recognition, including the Generating Clean Horizons program which was recently named one of the "top 25 innovations in American government" by Harvard University's John F Kennedy School.

An energy expert with experience at the national level and in the private sector, Woolf is the chair of the National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO), has twice been invited to testify before the Senate Energy Committee, and is frequently featured in national media, including NPR and CNN.

Woolf was previously the Director of the National Governors Association's Natural Resources Committee, which shapes federal policy on energy, agriculture, the environment, and natural resources. While with the NGA, Woolf launched the NGA's Energy Project to evaluate and prioritize state and federal energy policies and shape the federal energy agenda. Woolf also served as Counsel to the U.S. Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, working on energy and environment issues, including renewable and rural energy. Woolf was also a Senior Attorney with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and an Environmental and Energy Associate with both Winston & Strawn and Piper & Marbury L.L.P.

Woolf received his B.A. magna cum laude from Tufts University and Pembroke College, Oxford University. He earned a Masters of Public Administration and Public Policy and a J.D. from the University of Virginia.